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Application of: Doronina *et al.*

Confirmation No. 4343

Application No.: 09/845,786

Group Art Unit: 1653

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Examiner: David Lukton

For: PENTAPEPTIDE COMPOUNDS AND
USES RELATED THERETO

Attorney Docket No.: 9632-052

RESPONSE TO SPECIES ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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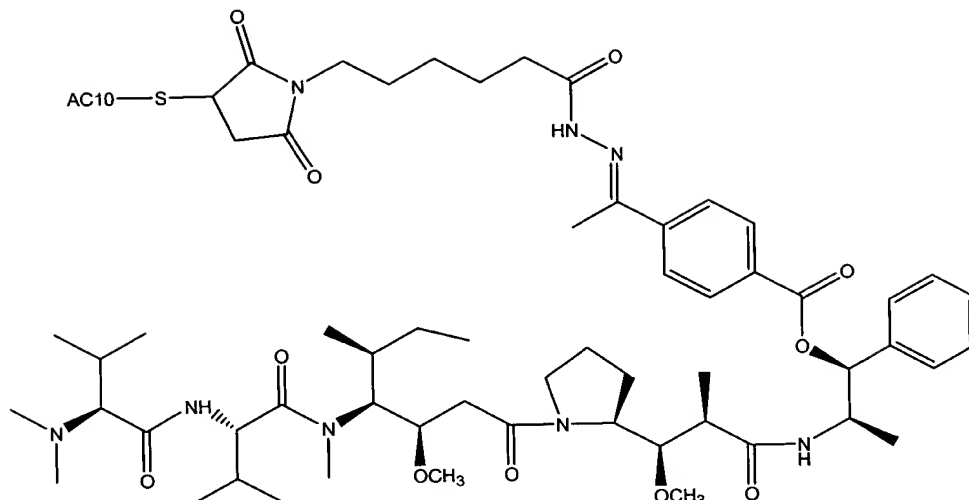
Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed July 2, 2003, in which the Examiner imposed a species election requirement, please consider the following remarks in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit herewith a Petition For Extension of Time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a period of two months from August 2, 2003 to October 2, 2003 (in duplicate), accompanied by the appropriate provision authorizing payment of the required fee.

REMARKS

The Examiner has required an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of a disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims will be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. The species in this case is a specific compound with all variables fully defined.

In response, Applicants hereby elect the species disclosed in the specification at page 19, immediately above line 5 in which the variable "mAb" is to be defined as the antibody AC10. Antibody AC10 is disclosed in the specification at page 46, line 20. Thus, the elected species is as depicted below:



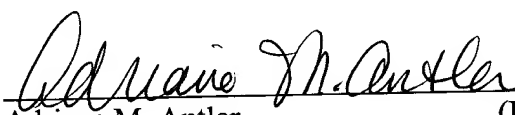
Claims readable on the elected species are claim 1.

CONCLUSION

No fee is believed due. Should any fee be required please charge the necessary amount to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Account No. 16-1150.

Respectfully submitted,

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